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the Glass Gob Mass in the
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Request for Early Processing and Preliminary Amendment

Sir:

Applicants hereby request early processing of the national phase application pursuant to 35 USC 371(f). Accordingly, included herewith is a copy of the international application, English translation of the application, declaration and required national fee. There are no Article 19 amendments, or annexes. Accordingly, early processing is requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

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